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Environmental Groups Appeal Federal Court ICC Decision

On January 7 Environmental Defense filed an appeal in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit in Richmond of a federal judge's ruling in favor of government agencies that approved the proposed Intercounty Connector (ICC). The Audubon Naturalist Society has decided not to file an additional appeal of the issues it had raised in the case, choosing instead to support the claims of Environmental Defense based on the state's failure to prevent the serious air quality and human health threats. There is a separate appeal by Sierra Club based on the National Environmental Policy Act.

The appeal seeks review of the November 8 ruling by Judge Alexander Williams, Jr., of the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland, Greenbelt Division. It maintains that the Federal Highway Administration and the Maryland Department of Transportation violated the Clean Air Act and other federal laws when they approved the ICC. The Washington, DC-Maryland-Virginia area already violates the Environmental Protection Agency's air pollution standard for tiny particulate matter, a dangerous pollutant that is associated with heart attacks, irregular heartbeat, asthma attacks, reduced lung function, bronchitis and premature death. The region also violates the federal standard for ground-level ozone, a major component of smog.

Health Threat

"The court's ruling falls woefully short of the bar and fails to address the serious health threat of air pollution generated by traffic on the ICC and other roads," said

Michael Replogle, a civil engineer, transportation director for Environmental Defense and a former consultant for the Federal Highway Administration. "The court's ruling gave unwarranted deference to government agencies to ignore what the law requires."

"We disagree with the federal judge's ruling that the government's rationale for approving the ICC was not arbitrary and capricious and followed the proper procedures," said Neal Fitzpatrick, executive director of the Audubon Naturalist Society. "We support the decision of the Sierra Club and Environmental Defense to appeal, and we believe their appeals present the most appropriate aspects of the combined suits for appeal."

"We will continue our fight because the stream valleys, forest, wetland and habitat the ICC would destroy are the last of their kind in the area and simply irreplaceable," added Fitzpatrick.

"We will now refocus our resources and take every opportunity to convince Governor O'Malley that building the ICC is completely contrary to his campaign promises to clean up the Anacostia River, to restore the dying Chesapeake Bay and to take a leadership role in cutting greenhouse gas emissions," said Fitzpatrick.

The Sierra Club filing maintains that the agencies violated the National Environmental Policy Act and other federal laws when they approved the ICC.

"The agencies manipulated the purpose and need statement, the selection of alternatives and the other aspects of the environmental impact statement to reach the

preordained conclusion that the ICC should be built," said Steve Cafilisch, transportation chair for the Sierra Club's Maryland Chapter. "Judge Williams gave far too much deference to the agencies' actions and did not hold them accountable for manipulating the process and failing to honestly and thoroughly address key issues."

"Governor O'Malley's leadership on global warming, the Chesapeake Bay and Smart Growth must start here," said Mike Harold, program director for the Audubon Naturalist Society. "If he doesn't pull the plug on the ICC, he will do even greater damage to the bay watershed and will negate most of the benefits from the Clean Cars legislation passed during the 2006 General Assembly session, while making a mockery of attempts to achieve the emission reduction targets recommended by the Maryland Climate Change Commission. The Governor's legacy is at stake."

The ICC is a proposed six-lane, 19-mile toll highway connecting I-95 and US-1 in Prince George's County with I-270/I-370 at Shady Grove in Montgomery County. The agency approvals assumed that monitors located more than 1.5 miles from major highways could represent the pollution levels experienced by neighborhoods, schools and parks in very near major highways such as I-95, I-270 and I-370.

Already under construction, there is no indication as to whether or not the appellants will seek an injunction to stop the highway's construction. The appeal could take years before it is finally adjudicated.

WSSC to Replace and Relocate Aging Water Pipes in City Center

The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) has announced that it has recorded a record number of water main breaks and leaks for a calendar year. As of December 31 WSSC serviced 2,129 water main breaks and leaks in 2007, breaking the previous record of 1,827 in 2003.

With the cold weather beginning to settle in, WSSC is preparing to tackle another winter of water main breaks and leaks. As the temperature of source water from the Potomac and Patuxent rivers drops, it causes aging pipes to become more brittle and break and leak more frequently. Other factors contributing to the higher number of breaks and leaks include shifting earth due to temperature changes, vibrations and pressure from roads and acidic soil.

Work in Greenbelt will consist

of replacement and relocation of water main pipelines ranging in diameters from 1.5 to 6 inches. Those pipes less than 4 inches will be replaced with 4-inch pipes while the other sizes will be replaced with 8-inch diameter pipes. Below are the projects and the streets impacted by each.

Greenbelt I, Contract # BR4761A08, 1.38 miles – Tamarisk Court, Lynbrook Court, Greendale Place, Greentree Place, Greenway Place, Greentree Place, Empire Place and Fayette Place.

Greenbelt II, Contract # BR4761B08, 1.38 miles – Northway, Forestway, Northway Courts 1 and 2, Hillside Road Courts 4 and 6, Ridge Road Court 45 and Eastway Courts 1, 2, 3 and 5.

Greenbelt III, Contract # BR4761C08, 1.23 miles – Ridge Road Courts 17, 19, 23, 26, 33,

35, 37 and 39, Southway Court 1, Gardenway Courts 1 and 2, Crescent Road Courts 56, 58 and 60, Parkway-northwestern apartment buildings and Hamilton Place.

Greenbelt IV, Contract # BR4761D08, 1.31 miles – Southway Court 2, Ridge Road Courts 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 11 and 13, Westway Court 2, Crescent Road Courts 6 and 7, Lakeside Drive, Lakeview Circle, Maplewood Court, Olive-wood Court and Pinecrest Court.

For emergencies or more information call GHI's Ralph Eldon at 301-474-4161, ext. 128 or Peter Joseph at 301-474-4161, ext. 141 or Public Works at 301-474-8004.

WSSC has a 24/7 rapid response center in place to handle emergency calls and dispatch crews. For water or sewer emergencies call 1-800-828-6439 or 301-206-4002.



The Duke Ellington School of the Arts Show Choir takes a bow after entertaining a very satisfied audience. Fourth from the left is soloist Briona Jackson who, as described below, impersonated Eartha Kitt.

Something Old, Something New at Venice Carnevale

by Mary Moien

I had read in the News Review that Greenbelt New Year 2008 had a number of repeat entertainers and some new ones. My husband and I got to the Carnevale in Venice just in time to see the student singers from the Duke Ellington School of the Arts Show Choir. These Washington, D.C., high school students were true showmen. By Show Choir, they mean they are combining singing, dancing and acting. They entertained a packed showroom (gym) for almost two hours.

Their repertoire ranged from gospel to Christmas to general holiday music. They sang as an entire choir and then as solo singers and groups. After entertaining as the choir, they ran off-stage and came back dressed and singing as a number of Motown stars – the Shirelles, the Temptations and others.

Other singing stars, such as Eartha Kitt, were also highlighted. "Eartha," portrayed by Briona Jackson in a beautiful evening gown with elbow-length gloves, singing "Santa Baby" was outstanding.

The young men in white tails as the Temptations had the house in a roar. "Nat" King Cole and his daughter "Natalie" sang "The Christmas Song." Lovely.

At one point, the singers pulled a few audience members up to the front to dance. Who was the first one on the floor? John Henry Jones, of course.

Food

While we were relaxing in the dimly lit room (from beautiful white floor lamps around the walls), we were reminded that food was for sale just across the hall. What reminded us? Two people came in and sat right in front of us eating giant turkey legs. Hmmm. Later on someone said we should try the sesame noodles but by the time we got there, they were sold out.

Lots of kids and adults were wearing masks and hats that had been made earlier in the evening.

As soon as the choir took their last bows, Barry and I rushed out of the gym and headed down the hall to hear Transatlantic Crossing featuring Anne Gardner on fiddle and Jon Gardner on guitar. However, the smaller room was filled to capacity and we could only look through the window at them.

Piano Lounge

So we headed up the stairs to the Piano Lounge to sit and relax,

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What Goes On

Saturday, January 12

9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Greenbelt Visioning Session, Springhill Lake Elementary School

Monday, January 14

7 p.m., GHI Worksession on Hedge Height for Hedges Other Than Those along Walkways, GHI Board Room

8 p.m., Regular City Council Meeting, Municipal Building

Tuesday, January 15

Promptly at 10:30 a.m., Registration for Winter GED, Classes Begin on Thursday January 17 at 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, January 16

Worksession on Spellman Overpass Rescheduled to Tuesday January 22

7:30 p.m., Advisory Planning Board, Community Center

Friday, January 18

2 p.m., Deadline to sign up for Winter Children's Swimming Lessons

Saturdays, January 19 and 26 – Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center Closes at 5 p.m. for High School Swim Meets

Letters to the Editor

Greenbelt New Year 2008 Was Great, Thanks to All

On behalf of the Greenbelt Recreation Department, we would like to thank the hundreds of guests who attended Greenbelt New Year 2008, Carnevale in Venice, and the dozens of volunteers, performers, artists and city staffers who helped make the event a splendid success.

We were pleased to present a record number of Greenbelt artists this year, including Yuli Wang, Liying Li and Elizabeth Barber of East and West; Jonathan and Anne Gardner of Transatlantic Crossing; pianists Jim Olson and Stefan Brodd, who performed alternate sets in the Greenbelt Piano Lounge and accompanist Christopher Fominaya and the teen performers of Camp Cabaret. Other performers were singer and song leader Melissa Sites, who pleased the crowd at the Community Campfire, and actor Ian Blackwell Rogers, who, with his acting partner Bette Cassatt, presented a spectacular sword-fighting scene.

Greenbelt filmmaker Leslie Primack contributed three entertaining documentary films, Greenbelt artist Celestine Ranney-Howes created the magnificent costumes worn by Paolo and Francesca, the king and queen of the carnival, and we were honored to have Greenbelt City Councilmember Konrad Herling serve as the Doge of Venice.

Several talented Recreation Department instructors performed this year as well. Creative Kids Camp and Performance Club teacher Jesse Folks presided over a rousing session in the Improv Asylum, ballroom dance teacher Frank Solomon hosted the Mad Hot Ballroom Dance Party and circus skills teacher Greg May appeared at the Early Revels and in the Community Center. Visual artist and teacher Randal Mars created the dazzling backdrop and set pieces for the stage, working with a crew of elementary and middle-school students.

Greenbelt community organizations provided volunteers, served refreshments and offered terrific participatory entertainment. The Greenbelt Swim Team sold popcorn and presented Barracuda Beading, where partygoers could string their own necklaces. The Greenbelt Girl Scouts presented the Community Campfire, with an assist from David Meng.

Knit for Charity donated hand-crafted treasures for a raffle to raise money for the Mary Purcell Geiger Scholarship Fund. The Greenbelt Nursery School offered guests the chance to Sit Right Down and Write Yourself A Letter. GreenBeLT Pride sold pizza and sodas at the Youth Center. Little Miss and Junior Miss Greenbelt, Jade Kienas and Julie Houchens, assisted in the

Mascherari's workshop. Volunteers from the Greenbelt Golden Age Club and the Greenbelt Astronomical Society were among those serving as door wardens and room wardens throughout the evening.

The Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts (GAVA) and Greenbelt Access Television (GATE) co-sponsored their annual animation showcase. The Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC) loaned spotlights for the Community Center auditorium and hosted Camp Cabaret's performance. Many thanks to Jeff Landou, Gretchen Jacobs and Brian St. George of GAC, who kindly accommodated a venue change requested by the campers.

Making its Greenbelt New Year debut was the Duke Ellington School of the Arts Show Choir, whose talent and elegance wowed the audience. Also new this year were the open-air Early Revels, which started with the Greenbelt Girl Scouts' Community Campfire, continued with a sizzling swordfight in the Skate Park and ended with the arrival of the masked Paolo and Francesca and their entourage, including jester Greg May on stilts. Returning Greenbelt favorites included DC Motors, Magic Mike, Blue Sky Puppets, the GAVA/GATE Animation Festival and the action games of Maryland Inflatables.

Many Roosevelt Center merchants and other Greenbelt businesses made generous monetary or in-kind contributions. Generous Joes, Greenbelt Federal Credit Union and Curves all contributed financial support. The Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket sold admission wristbands and loaned crates for campfire seating. The Greenbelt Dry Cleaners loaned hangers for the coat check. Chef Lou set up shop in the Community Center for the evening, earmarking a portion of his proceeds for the Springhill Lake fire victims.

After its regular film showing, the P&G Old Greenbelt Theater opened its doors again this year for the GAVA/GATE Animation Showcase. The New Deal Café was also open for the evening, serving up New Year's cheer, with musical offerings supported by Friends of New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA). Long-time event sponsor Capitol Cadillac was joined by Stitchin' It Embroidery in supporting the event.

More than 70 dedicated volunteers pitched in to create a

magical event for their neighbors. Among those serving were Terry Benedick, Kim Major, Julia Kender, Pat Mische, Laura Holman, Michael Relland, Wendy Moore, Pat Noone, Mary Commins, Patty Commins, Rose Commins, Caroline Bryson, Leanna Commins, Dina Goldberg-Strassler, Jesse Goldberg-Strassler, Larry and Rena Hull, Lydia Goldstein, Dorothea Leslie, Pat Hand, Lester and Bev Whitmer, Luis Loret de Mola, Mary and Curt Gunn, Bridget Shea, Bunny Fitzgerald, Ester Yalowitz, Joan Baker, Thelma Loret de Mola, Bill Souser, John Henry Jones, Lisa Meyer, Kiersten Meyer, Doug Love, Jamie Miers, Lisa Major, Donna Hundley, Dominique Ward, Solange Hess, Sherma Comerford, Joan Baker, Demitris Carter, Barbara Simon and the parent volunteers of GAVA.

Our thanks also go to our colleagues in city service, whose hard work helped make an evening of fun for all: Gaye Houchens, Andrew Phelan, Justin Walker, J.D. Flanagan, Kim DeAngelis, Celeste May, Debbie Coulter, Ian Welsh, Patrick Welsh, Carl Hill, Monica Mische, Barbara Davis, Lisa Adams, Di Quynn-Reno, Becky Sutfin, Karen Haseley, Nicole DeWald, Carol Mealey, Scott Kincaid, Sheila Major, Deborah Taylor, Cheryl Townsend, Danielle Beitzell, Beth Fendlay, Jeanie Robinson, Terrie Higgins, Semone Thompson, Justin Walker, Mason Trappio, Beverly Palau, Tim Houchens, Danny Kelleher, Hoa Nguyen and

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WEEK OF JAN. 11

ATONEMENT
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*5, 7:30, 9:50

Saturday
*2:30, *5, 7:30, 9:50

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GIVE BLOOD, GIVE LIFE

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Prince George's Chapter House,
6206 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville

– Thursday, January 17, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

USDA, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Beltsville

– Saturday, January 19, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Wells Ice Rink, 5211 Paint Branch Parkway,
College Park

– Saturday, January 19, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Greenbelt Baptist Church

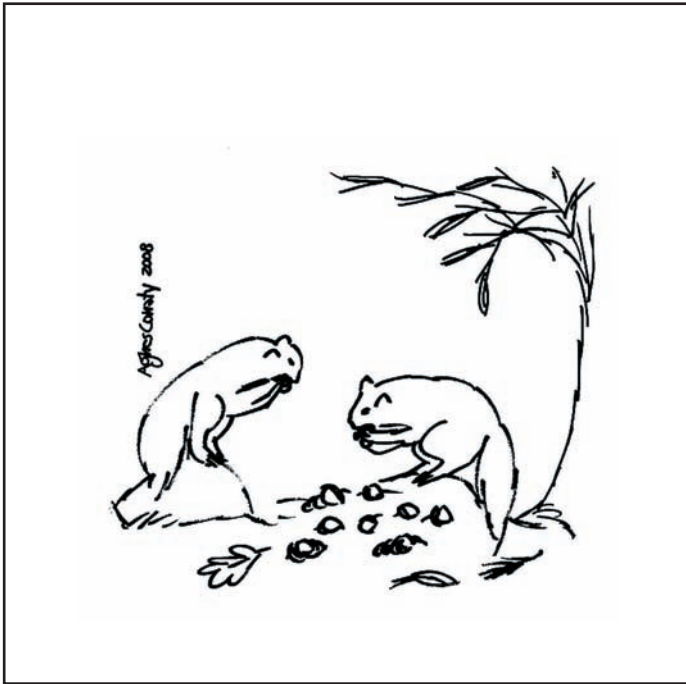
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Saturday, January 19, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Greenway Subway, 7555 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt

Call 301-552-8060 for an appointment.

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DEADLINES: Letters, articles and ads—10 p.m. Tuesday. Materials for publication may be mailed to address above, deposited in our box in the Co-op grocery store (by 7 p.m. Tuesday) or brought to our office in the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, during office hours. Mail subscriptions—\$35/year.

Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.
OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.

Correction

In the past two issues the USDA Beltsville Human Nutrition Research Center has run ads recruiting men for nutrition research. Although the contact phone and email were accurate, those who sought more information could not have reached the website, as the wrong address was provided in the ad. The website is www.usdanutritioncenter.us.

At the Library

Storytimes

A librarian will read age-appropriate stories:

Tuesday, January 15, 10:30 a.m., Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months old with caregiver, limit 15 babies.

Wednesday, January 16, 10:30 and 11 a.m., Toddlertime for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver, limit 15 children.

Thursday, January 17, 10:30 a.m., Drop-In Storytime for ages 3 to 5, limit 20 children.

Caregivers can pick up a free ticket at the Children's Desk.

Adults

Wednesday, January 16, 7 p.m., Adult book discussion, Joseph Heller's "Catch 22."

GHI Notes

Scheduled meetings for the coming weeks include:

Saturday, January 12, 11 a.m., Pre-purchase Orientation

Monday, January 14, 7 p.m., Worksession on non-walkway hedges

Wednesday, January 16, 7 p.m., Woodlands Committee

7 p.m., Finance and Investment Committee

Thursday, January 17, 7 p.m., Sustainable Design Practice Committee

Monday, January 21, Offices closed for Martin Luther King holiday

Tuesday, January 22, 7 p.m., New members coffee social

Thursday, January 24, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors

Unless otherwise noted all events take place at the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Administration Building. Committee and board meetings are open; members are encouraged to attend.

Note: The 2008 Board Meeting schedule will change to the second and fourth Thursdays of every month through May.

Independent Living Is Ask Expert Topic

Stephen Hage of Strategies for Independent Living will be the next guest expert for the city's "Ask the Expert" cable show to be filmed on Tuesday, January 15 at Green Ridge House.

The lecture will begin promptly at 11 a.m. Hage will discuss modifications to apartments or homes for successful aging in place. He will discuss short-term versus long-term solutions and their benefits, common sense planning for safety, home maintenance, deciding what to do and when, planning and what resources are required and when.

Green Ridge House is at 22 Ridge Road. Those who do not reside at Green Ridge House need to RSVP in advance by calling Gloria Mitchell at 240-542-2031.

Community Events

Tutoring Program Starts Again

School has started again after the holidays. The Greenbelt Moving Ahead Program continues at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center on Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to noon for elementary, middle and high school students. Free tutoring will emphasize algebra/data for middle and high school students to help pass the Maryland State Assessment tests.

All students are reminded to bring their textbooks. Call Janet Goldberg at 301-397-2212 for more information.

Dance Will Benefit SHL Fire Victims

The People's Dance Party's January community dance will be a benefit for Springhill Lake residents displaced by the December 21 fire. The dance will be held January 12 at the Greenbelt Youth Center at 99 Centerway. The Youth Center is wheelchair accessible.

Kids and adults are welcome from 6:30 to 8 p.m., where the music will include the limbo, hokey pokey, Motown and other favorites. The adult dance is from 8 to 10:30 p.m., featuring swing, funk, new wave, rock'n'roll, world music and much more. The dance is open to everyone – dance in a chair, join in on the dance floor or come to socialize with friends and neighbors. Bring favorite dance music and the group will mix it in.

Donations are requested. After the cost of room rental and refreshments proceeds will be used to purchase gift cards for distribution by the Red Cross. Attendees may also bring gift cards from Target, K-Mart, Giant, etc. A donation is not required to come and dance. For more information email peoplesdance@yahoo.com.

Donation Drop Off Scheduled for Sat.

The American Rescue Workers will be available on Saturday, January 12 for Donation Drop-off between 9 a.m. and noon.

Donations may be dropped off in the parking lot between the Municipal Center and the Community Center.

Benefit to Support Programs of the American Legion Greenbelt Post #136 John Cousin Band Friday, January 18 8:30 till ? Donations at the Door

Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald

The horns and bells and parties are finished and we are into the New Year. The Golden Age Club had a positive beginning on January 2. Karen Haseley of the Recreation Department installed the following slate of officers: President – Bill Souser; 1st Vice President – Jim Holohan; Treasurer – Robert Terrell; and Recording Secretary – Bunny Fitzgerald.

Let's all give them our support and respond when asked to help and serve on committees.

There are still openings on the trip to the Dutch Apple Theater to see "Mid-Life Crisis" musical on January 17. We will travel by bus and have lunch at the theater.

The birthday luncheon will be on January 16 and the rest of the month's events will be announced.

Three County Grants Awarded to Greenbelt

County Councilmember Ingrid Turner has notified Michael McLaughlin, city manager, that Prince George's County will issue three grants for Fiscal Year 2008 to provide services to residents of the county and the 4th Councilmanic District. CARES (\$2,000), Greenbelt Theatre (\$1,000) and Advisory Committee for Education (\$2,000) will benefit from these grants.

Democrats Attend Legislative Night

The Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club is attending a Legislative Night in Annapolis on Monday evening, January 21 (the Martin Luther King holiday) from 6 to 8 p.m. Our legislative delegation (Senator Pinsky and Delegates Gaines, Healey and Ross) is hosting a reception, followed by a public legislative session. All residents of the 22nd Legislative District are welcome. This event is in lieu of the regular January meeting.

The Roosevelt Club has arranged bus transportation from Greenbelt to Annapolis. The bus will leave from the parking lot behind the Greenbelt Library at 5 p.m. and depart from Annapolis at 8:30 p.m. There is a fee and reservations are required. To reserve a space on the bus, contact Senator Pinsky's office at 301-858-3155. For additional information visit www.RooseveltClub.org.

GHI Closing Artifacts Garage – All Must Go

GHI is closing its Artifacts Garage at the end of January. The entire inventory must go. The garage contains original components from GHI houses donated by GHI members when they remodeled their units. The garage is crowded with artifacts from frame, brick and block homes, including original medicine cabinets, interior and exterior doors, in fact everything including kitchen sinks. (Go to the GHI website, www.ghi.coop and click on Artifacts Garage for a complete inventory.)

The garage, #28 on Parkway, will be open from 2 to 4 p.m. the next three Sundays in January. Anything remaining at the end of the month will be given to Community Forklift to be sold through their facility in Edmonston, Md. Community Forklift (www.communityforklift.com) is a nonprofit group that works with at-risk youth and sells salvaged surplus and green building materials. Call 301-474-4161, ext. 148 or email mgmtooffice@greenbelthomes.net for more information.

EVERYTHING MUST GO!

GHI Artifacts Garage has Lost its Lease!

Original GHI fixtures including doors, medicine cabinets and kitchen sinks from frame, brick and block homes available. Priced to sell!!

Come to garage # 28 Parkway Rd., Sunday, January 13, 20 and 27 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Go to www.ghi.coop click on Artifacts Garage for full inventory.



NOTICE TO GHI MEMBERS

WORK SESSION ON HEDGE HEIGHT

GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Monday, January, 14, 2008

GHI BOARD ROOM

7:00 PM



This meeting is open to members

Key Agenda Items:

- Hedge Height Discussion for Hedges other than those Along Walkways

Special Guest Presenters





Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club

No Meeting in January

All are welcome to attend



22nd District Legislative Night

in Annapolis on

January 21 from 6 to 8 p.m.

Bus transportation to Annapolis is available for \$12 per passenger, departing from the Greenbelt Library parking lot at 5 p.m. Reservations are required and can be made through Senator Pinsky's office at 301-858-3155.

Visit www.RooseveltClub.org for details.



Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center, 101 Center Way in Old Greenbelt.



Enjoy Swimming?!

The Greenbelt Swim Team Needs You!

The Greenbelt Municipal Swim Team's 2008 Winter/Spring training season for summer swimmers* runs from January 15 to May 4.

A walk-in registration will be held **January 15**, 5:00 to 6:00 pm at the Aquatic Center. Fees are discounted for registrations received by January 15!

Swimmers practice Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and Sunday mornings. Developmental Swimmers meet Sunday mornings. Information and applications can be found at www.greenbelt.com/swimteam or at the GMST bulletin board in the Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center, 101 Center Way in Old Greenbelt.

*Note the training season session is open to swimmers who plan to swim with the team for the 2008 Summer season.

Registration questions? Call Joan Dunham, 301-474-4722 or send an email to greenbeltswimteam@yahoo.com

Obituaries

Helen Oring-Nichols

Helen F. Oring-Nichols, 100, died Sunday, January 6, 2008, at Eaton Community Hospice in Charlotte, Mich. Mrs. Oring-Nichols was born August 30, 1907, in Tonawanda, N.Y., the daughter of William and Ethel (Adler) Greenhut. She lived in Greenbelt for 60 years before moving to Eaton Rapids, Mich., in 2002.

Mrs. Oring-Nichols was the administrative assistant for the Department of Political Science, at the University of Maryland for 20 years and retired in 1972.

Singing was her greatest love. On retirement she joined a senior performing arts group "Seasoned Players," which performed all around the suburban Washington, D.C., area and was able to perform with them until the age of 98. She felt one of her musical gifts was to sing for nursing home residents.

Mrs. Oring-Nichols was named Senior Citizen of the Year for Prince George's County for her volunteer performances. She also sang for her children's and grandchildren's weddings.

Mrs. Oring-Nichols was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, one sister, two husbands, Irving Oring and Harvey Nichols and her daughter-in-law Mary Oring (Stuart).

She is survived by her sons Stuart Oring (Owings, Md.), Lewis (Kay) Oring (Susanville, Cal.), Robert (Marcia) Oring (Eaton Rapids, Mich.); the true joy of her life – 12 grandchildren and five great grandchildren; and her special angel friend "Judy Nichols."

Funeral services were held Wednesday, January 9, 2008, at the Shelly-Odell Funeral Home, Eaton Rapids, with Dr. Harold DeMott and her grandson, Pastor Chadwick Oring-Anderson, officiating. Interment followed at Rosehill Cemetery, Eaton Rapids.

Those wishing to make a donation in her name may make memorial contributions to either the Eaton Community Hospice, 2675 South Cochran, Charlotte, MI 48813 or Eaton Rapids Senior Center, PO Box 644, Charlotte, MI 48813 in her memory.



St. Hugh's Redesigns Altar

by Mary Moien

Change is underway at St. Hugh's Church. A stunning icon will replace the curtains and crucifix now behind and above the church's main altar. Under the guidance of Father Walter Tappe, pastor of St. Hugh's, Washington iconographer Delphia Dirks has been completing the work of art. Parishioners and visitors have been able to view its progress week to week. The 10' x 8' icon has been completed and is awaiting wooden framework to be installed around the altar.

Dirks has been trained in the art of Byzantine iconography and has painted icons for other churches in the area. The panels are wood with gesso and egg

tempera, highlighted with 23 carat. gold halos and decorations. According to Tappe, the St. Hugh's icon is by far the largest she has done. The artist has completed smaller icons for Blessed Sacrament and Annunciation Catholic Churches, both in Washington.

Tappe described the focus of the Icon: "The icon depicts Christ on His heavenly throne, flanked by two angels. Standing on either side of the throne are Mary the Mother of God and St. Hugh of Grenoble, the parish patron, with their arms raised in the posture of intercession."

Tappe hopes that the altar transformation will be completed in the next few months.



PHOTO BY MARY MOIEN

Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

Open heart, Open minds, Open doors

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Rev. Dr. Paul C. Kim, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 am Worship Service 11:00 am

Prayer Meeting Sun. 9:45 am

Come as you are!



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Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community

January 13, 10 a.m.

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by Michael DeHart of Thornton Friends School
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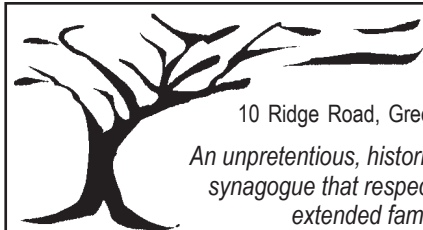
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New Year’s Events Aid Gieger Fund

Knit for Charity, which meets every Friday from 10 a.m. to noon at the Community Center, donated hand-knit treasures for a raffle at the Greenbelt New Year event to support the Mary Purcell Geiger Scholarship Fund. Shortly before midnight, Paolo and Francesca, the masked king and queen of Carnevale, drew the winning names: Lucia Pugnali, Joyce Wineland, Sheila Major, Maddie Bell, Larry Hull, Silas, Chris Schoppet, Marie Wong, Bev Whitmer, Pat Bell, Elaine Jones, Vicki Reynolds and Jenna Jones.

The Geiger Fund also received all of the evening’s profits from Greenbelt New Year’s Scholarship Café, which was organized and stocked by Di Quynn-Reno and staffed by Deborah Taylor, Sheila Major and volunteers Kim Major and David Nielsen. Together, the raffle and café raised more than \$600 for scholarships for participants in the Recreation Department’s arts and senior programs. The Geiger fund was created to honor the civic work of Mary Geiger, long-time member of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and advocate for recreation programs for young and old.

Museum to Show “New Towns” Film

The Greenbelt Museum will hold a free viewing of the film “New Towns” on Tuesday, January 15 at 7 p.m., in the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, Room 201. The film, “New Towns” was produced in 1987 by WETA. It compares and contrasts Greenbelt, Columbia and Reston, Va. Highlights include interviews with pioneering residents of all three communities as well as with Robert Simon, the founder of Reston. Following the viewing, museum staff will lead a discussion about the film. The discussion will focus on how the three communities have changed since this film was made 20 years ago.

This program is part of the Greenbelt Museum’s ongoing bimonthly lecture series. All lectures are free and open to the public. For more information call the museum office at 301-507-6582 or visit their website at www.greenbeltmuseum.org.

Explorations – Home

The next two Explorations Unlimited programs offer topics for the homebound and for those interested in active outdoor vacations.

This Week

On Friday, January 11 Victor Van De Moortel of Care for You, Inc. will present information about key considerations for aging in place, support services available and the cost of alternatives. Care For You, incorporated in 1996, is a non-medical family and eldercare support program serving the greater Washington, D.C., area. It is family owned and operated, specializing in providing compatible individuals to provide one-on-one assistance and services for elders in areas that include personal, home, transportation, safety improvements, service coordination and personal health and well-being.

Next Week

Then on Friday, January 18 entrepreneur Stanley Sheddaker, founder of Adrenaline High,

Care, Outdoor Tours

Inc. will make a presentation on the company and its activities. Adrenaline High, whose motto encourages getting “high” from the natural environment, provides guided kayaking and biking tours to those interested in an introduction to and exploration of Maryland’s Eastern Shore. He will have a slide show of Adrenaline High’s custom designed multiple-day bike and kayaking trips, a typical two- to three-hour kayaking trip, youth group trips and Adrenaline’s six-hour Barrier Island trip. Sheddaker is a member of the Professional Paddlers Association; ACA kayak instructor certified and has adaptive paddling credentials for working with individuals with special needs.

Explorations Unlimited is held every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center in the Senior Classroom, Room 114. Everyone is welcome to attend. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

John Cousin Band At Legion Jan. 18

The “John Cousin Band” will perform at American Legion Greenbelt Post 136 at 6900 Greenbelt Road on Friday, January 18 beginning at 8:30 p.m.. Donations will be accepted at the door, with all proceeds to benefit American Legion programs.

The band features John Mobley’s powerful lead vocals and bluesy Stratguitar and Joe Goltz’ blazing lead guitar. The rhythm section of Tim Howe (bass) and Greenbelter Dave O’Brien (drums) lock down the grooves. All members sing, a skill frequently put to use in the band’s 2-, 3- and 4-part harmonies.

Photo Club Talk

On Sunday, January 13 the Greenbelt Photo Club will sponsor a talk on “Beginning Macro Photography,” given by Leslie Brothers and Frank Kayser at the Greenbelt Community Center in Room 112 from 2 to 4 p.m.



City Information

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

January 14, 2008 - 8:00 p.m.,
Municipal Building

COMMUNICATIONS

Presentations

- Recognition of Linda Kuo

Petitions and Requests (Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)

Committee Reports

LEGISLATION

Resolution to Amend Resolution 1019, a Resolution to Purchase Certain Goods and Services from Various Vendors as Enumerated Herein When Total Fiscal Year Purchases from Each Vendor Exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) (1st Reading)

OTHER BUSINESS

- Request to Support Homeowners & Bank Protection Act of 2007
- *Reappointments to Advisory Groups

* Items on the Consent Agenda, indicated by an asterisk, will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.

MEETINGS

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public, and all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 no later than 10am on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail kgallagher@greenbeltmd.gov to reach the City Clerk.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups.

Vacancies exist on the:

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Arts Advisory Board

Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee

Youth Advisory Committee

For more information, please call 301-474-8000.

GREENBELT AQUATIC AND FITNESS CENTER

SWIM MEET CLOSINGS

Please note – the indoor pool is closing at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 19 and on Saturday, January 26 for high school swim meets.

For more information call 301-397-2204

REGISTRATION FOR CHILDREN’S SWIM LESSONS

Register now for Winter Session. Registration will be open until January 18 at 2pm.

For a list of classes, download the Recreation Brochure from www.greenbeltmd.gov.

MEETINGS FOR JANUARY 14-18

Monday, January 14, 7:00pm, RECYCLING AND ENVIRONMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE, Community Center.

Monday, January 14, 8:00pm, REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING, Municipal Building. (live on Channel 71)

Wednesday, January 16, 7:30pm, ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD, Greenbelt Community Center, Room TBA. AGENDA: I. Call to Order, II. Approval of Agenda, III. Approval of Meeting Minutes, IV. Revision to Detailed Site Plan – Capitol Cadillac, V. Sign Plan – Capital Office Park, VI. Discussion of Departure Process and Procedures, VII. Adjourn This agenda is subject to change. For confirmation that the meeting is being held and/or for questions regarding scheduled items please call 301-345-5417.

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Join the Mayor and City Council in visioning the future for the City of Greenbelt.

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- Saturday, January 12, 2008, Springhill Lake Elementary School, 6060 Springhill Drive, Multi-Purpose Room**
 - Saturday, January 26, 2008, Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road, Council Room**
 - Saturday, February 2, 2008, location to be determined in Greenbelt East**
- Each session will run from 9:00am-1:00pm
For more information, contact the City at 301-474-8000 or e-mail info@greenbeltmd.gov.

Greenbelt CARES Youth and Family Services Bureau REGISTRATION FOR WINTER GED 10-WEEK COURSE TUESDAY, JANUARY 15TH Beginning promptly at 10:30am!!!

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Week of JANUARY 11

FRI. – SAT.

National Treasure: Book of Secrets, PG

12:30, 4, 7:30, 10:20

The Great Debaters, PG-13

12:30, 4, 7:30, 10:20

In the Name of the King, PG-13 (!)

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First Sunday, PG-13 (!)

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Alvin and the Chipmunks, PG

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One Missed Call, PG-13 (!)

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MON. – THURS.

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Prospective Kindergarten Parents Learn of Choices

by Leah Cohen

Kindergarten Information Night, hosted by the Greenbelt Nursery School, was held on December 10. Representatives from 11 schools gave brief presentations highlighting their programs. Several dozen families were in the audience. Following the individual presentations representatives stayed to answer questions and distribute literature. Of the 11 schools, Greenbelt Elementary was the sole public school represented. The principal, Kim Seidel, gave parents an overview of the kindergarten’s curriculum and daily schedule which includes a great deal of time for reading and lunch at 10:45 a.m.

Several parochial schools were also present – Friends Community School, Holy Redeemer School, St. Hugh’s Catholic School, Sandy Spring Friends School, Berwyn Baptist School and Concordia Lutheran School. Each has a different way of teaching religion, from Bible stories to chapel visits and school-wide “meaningful worship.” Sandy Spring Friends noted that they defer religious instruction to families.

Finally, there were three independent private schools and one parent cooperative school – Acorn Hill Waldorf Nursery and Kindergarten, Maret School, College Park Nursery School and Kindergarten and Newport School.

Concordia Lutheran, Acorn Hill and College Park Nursery School and Kindergarten were the only

three that offer half-day kindergarten programs. Concordia also offers a full day kindergarten program. Many of the schools run through 8th or 12th grade. With the exception of Acorn Hill and College Park Nursery School, all of the kindergarten programs seem to place great emphasis on teaching reading skills. Acorn Hill uses oral storytelling to help children develop an “ear” for language, deferring reading instruction until first grade. College Park Nursery School, which will be re-opening its kindergarten program this fall, intends to remain a play-centric program that will expose children to the world of literacy through cooking activities or being read to by an adult.

Application deadlines for most private programs are in early- to mid-January and most are now hosting open houses and tours. Newport School has rolling admissions and will consider eligible students any time there are spaces in the classroom. Interestingly, many of the private school programs have very small kindergarten classes (for example, nine students at Berwyn Baptist, 14 in two classes at Sandy Spring) while Greenbelt Elementary has three full kindergarten classes this year.

Anyone interested in more information should contact the schools directly. Most have open door policies but would like visitors to schedule an appointment.

A Review

Clinedinst Delights Crowd at New Deal Café

by Brian St. George

Those not at the New Deal Café on Friday night, January 4 missed a seductive acoustic performance by “Just Us.” Just Us was led by Greenbelt vocalist Paula Clinedinst with Chris Purvis on acoustic guitar. Third member Tony Thurston, who sings also and plays bongos, was absent since he had to go home and take care of the kids. The New Deal was full – in part since members were there for the First Friday meeting. But the back room was tuned into Clinedinst, who performed a diverse range of songs with beautiful emotion.

Sporting brown dingo boots and a bright smile, Clinedinst was relaxed and poised, while the crowd carried on in a raucous manner. She laced each song with strong harmony and gave powerful renditions of Dusty Springfield’s “Son of a Preacher Man,” Kelly Clarkson’s “Breakaway” and Bon Jovi’s “Wanted Dead or Alive.”

Kim Potts in the audience said of Clinedinst, “She’s so much fun, she pulls you in and totally does it every time.”

Potts’ boyfriend David Chipman agreed. He characterized Clinedinst as an “earthy rogue musician,” who, he suggested, has a fondness for Miller Lite.

Seated on a bar stool next to each other, the duo covered tunes that were not part of their regular repertoire, yet they did so smoothly and without distraction.

Well, there was one distraction

which stopped Clinedinst. During Melissa Etheridge’s “I’m the Only One,” Purvis decided the battery on his guitar needed changing. After this was completed, Clinedinst asked “Is that better? And does anyone have a Kleenex for this guy?” Apparently Purvis had a slight head cold.

New to the New Deal

Most of the crowd had not seen “Just Us” prior to this engagement at the New Deal but they responded positively to the varied repertoire. Bernie Giese, whose daughters and granddaughters sing, remarked how poised Clinedinst was.

The majority of her fans, outside of a few family members, had gathered at what Clinedinst referred to as table nine. They often sang backup, especially to the Bon Jovi number, and Clinedinst recognized their contribution from the stage. The consensus from table nine was that she has a “beautiful, cool, smoky voice.”

According to Melissa DeCew, she “steamed up the windows” with her singing and DeCew suggested, “She sings the songs everyone knows; where else could you be?” Table nine seemed quite right where they were.

Purvis played guitar without dissonance, allowing Clinedinst to show off her powerful voice. It sounded as if she might have more in reserve she could let loose under the right conditions. Clinedinst remarked that the New Deal was “cool” and that the “sound system was good as any house sound system [they had]

used in the past” but there was “no Miller Lite.”

Just Us will perform Friday, January 18 at the Irish Channel in Crofton from 9:30 p.m. till closing. There is no cover charge and they serve Miller Lite. Don’t miss a chance to hear a Greenbelter who can mesmerize with her voice.

Upcoming Events At the New Deal

The New Deal Café’s silent auction will continue until January 19. The auction features works by Greenbelt artists.

On Friday, January 11 John Guernsey plays jazz and blues piano for the dinner set from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. and from 8 to 10:30 p.m. Iris Hirsch performs a classic blend of folk, pop, country and rock and roll of the 50s, 60s and 70s as well as original music.

On Saturday, January 12 Guernsey again plays jazz and blues piano from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. Then from 8 to 10:30 p.m. the Starlight Shimmy Middle Eastern Dance Showcase is on. Once every few months the rising stars of the Middle Eastern dance scene showcase their talents in a free show that features performances by professional and semi-professional belly dancers.

Sunday, January 13 features the Magic Ray Jazz Group playing for a jazz brunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For information call 301-474-5642 or visit <http://newdealcafe.com>.

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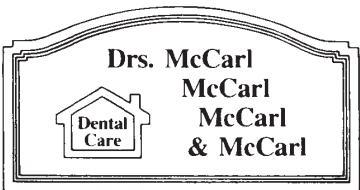


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Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Robberies

December 29, 2:18 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace, a man reported that he was walking to an apartment building when he was approached by a man who punched him several times and demanded money. After obtaining money from the victim, the man fled the scene in a vehicle described as a white Ford van bearing Maryland tags. The suspect is described as a Latino male, wearing a white sweater and blue jeans.

January 3, 6:42 p.m., 5800 block Greenbelt Road, some people reported that they were inside their vehicle when a man approached the driver's door and asked for directions. A second man then approached the passenger door and produced a handgun. A robbery was announced and after obtaining the victim's wallet, purse and a coat, the men fled the area in a vehicle described as a dark blue or black Hyundai Accent or Suzuki Esteem. The suspects are described as two black males, each 20 to 23 years of age, with black hair and brown eyes; one was wearing an orange and black puffy winter coat, jeans and a gray and red striped knit hat; the other had light facial hair and was wearing a knit hat.

Assault

December 31, 10:42 p.m., 8000 block Lakecrest Drive, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with first-degree assault and second-degree assault. A man reported that he and the suspect became involved in a verbal argument in his house. The confrontation continued outside his residence, at which time the man stabbed him in both of his arms. The suspect was arrested on the scene and transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner. The victim was transported to the hospital for treatment of his injuries.

Drug Arrest

December 23, 6:41 p.m., Springhill Terrace and Springhill Drive, a nonresident youth was arrested for possession of marijuana and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle; a nonresident youth and a resident youth were arrested for possession of marijuana. Police stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation and investigation revealed that the driver did not have permission to have the vehicle. Located in the vehicle was a quantity of suspected marijuana. All three youths were released to parents pending action by the juvenile justice system.

December 28, 4:06 p.m., Schrom Hills Park, a nonresident youth was arrested for possession of marijuana and another nonresident youth was arrested for possession of paraphernalia. Police responded to a report of

suspicious persons parking a vehicle and walking into the woods. As police approached the youths, one dropped to the ground a baggie that was found to contain a quantity of suspected marijuana. The second youth was found to be in possession of paraphernalia commonly used to smoke marijuana. Both were released to parents pending action by the juvenile justice system.

Resisting Arrest

January 2, 4:36 p.m., Beltway Plaza, a nonresident woman was arrested and charged with resisting arrest, failing to stop and other traffic offenses and a resident man was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct. Police observed an occupied vehicle parked in a fire lane and directed the driver to move the vehicle several times; she refused. Police then made multiple attempts to initiate a traffic stop but the driver pulled away each time the officer exited his vehicle to approach her vehicle and refused to speak with the officer. The driver was arrested; she had to be forcibly removed from the vehicle, as she resisted attempts by police to place her in custody. The passenger in the vehicle then became disorderly, shouting at police; he was arrested and released on citation pending trial. The woman was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Vandalism

January 1, 3:19 a.m., 6100 block Breezewood Court, it was reported that unknown person(s) used unknown means to break out a bedroom window of a residence.

Burglaries

December 28, 11:05 a.m., 9300 block Edmonston Road. It was reported that unknown person(s) entered a residence by breaking out a bedroom window. Jewelry, cell phones, computer equipment, a video game player and cash were taken.

January 4, 1:30 a.m., 9300 block Edmonston Road, it was reported that unknown person(s) broke out a window and entered a residence that had been vacated due to a building fire. It is unknown if anything was taken.

Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were reported stolen: a white 2007 Chevrolet Express van, Maryland tags 29V005 from the 6900 block Hanover Parkway; a red 1992 Toyota pick up, Maryland tags 45S113 from the 6100 block Springhill Terrace; and a gold 2004 Dodge Intrepid 4-door, Maryland tags 1CNT42 from Beltway Plaza.

Five vehicles were recovered, one by Greenbelt police with no arrest made and four by outside departments with two arrests made in one recovery.

Theft from and vandalism to vehicles were reported in the following areas: Beltway Plaza, 7800 block Walker Drive, 6100 block Breezewood Court, 6200 block Breezewood Drive, 9100 block Edmonston Court, 9100 block Edmonston Road (two incidents), and 7800 and 8000 blocks Mandan Road (three incidents).

Vehicle Crime Arrests

December 28, 9100 block Springhill Lane, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with theft when a computer check revealed that the tag on his vehicle had been reported stolen. He was released on citation pending trial.

December 29, Greenbelt Road, a nonresident youth was arrested after he was stopped for a traffic violation for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and driving without a license. A computer check revealed that he did not have a license and further investigation revealed that he did not have permission to drive the vehicle. He was released to a parent pending action by the juvenile justice system.

December 29, Kenilworth Avenue and the Beltway, a resident man was arrested and charged with theft after police stopped him for a traffic violation. A computer check revealed that the expiration sticker on the vehicle tag had been reported stolen. He was released on citation pending trial.

Postal Services Available

Limited postal services are now available in the Municipal Building Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

GAC Holds Auditions For "Born Yesterday"

The Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC) auditions for Garson Kanin's "Born Yesterday" will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, January 14 and Tuesday, January 15 at GAC. Show dates for the production are March 15 to April 15.

Directed by Randy Barth and produced by Andrew Negri, this is a screwball comedy that tells the story of million dollar tycoon Harry Brock, who brings his showgirl mistress, Billie Dawn, with him to Washington when he tries to buy a congressman. To smooth her acceptance into Washington society, he hires a tutor to teach his lover proper etiquette and, in the process, she learns just how corrupt her boyfriend is. Along with the laughs comes a warm, romantic story that explores subjects like economic fashion, the intellectual subjugation of women and political blindness.

Major scenes can be viewed at <http://home.comcast.net/~randy.barth/BYAuditionScenes.pdf>.

Other roles include three women (the senator's wife, a maid and a manicurist) and five men (Harry's cousin/lackey, the hotel manager, a bellhop, a barber and a bootblack). Some roles may be combined.

Call 301-441-8770 or visit the website at www.greenbeltartscenter.org for more information.

Watershed Groups Meet January 14

The watershed groups of Greenbelt are holding a celebration party and talkin' trash in Room 112 at the Greenbelt Community Center.

Guest speaker Ginny Harris from the Alice Ferguson Foundation will discuss the Foundation's "Trash Free Potomac Watershed Initiative." Afterward the watershed groups will celebrate their anniversaries with desserts and drinks. All Greenbelters and interested trash talkers are invited to join in the celebration.

Patuxent Research Refuge Programs

All programs are free, however donations to the Friends of Patuxent are greatly appreciated. Programs do require advance reservations. Reservations are taken by calling 301-497-5887. Advise of any special needs. Visit the website at patuxent.fws.gov.

Programs held at the National Wildlife Visitor Center located on Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 197:

Winter Bird Walk on Saturday, January 12 from 8 to 10 a.m., ages 12+. Join a volunteer naturalist in search of winter resident and migrant birds. Binoculars and field guide are recommended.

Nature Journaling on Sunday, January 13 from 2 to 3:30 p.m., ages 8 to 10. Join in at this time to observe nature using one's senses. Participants will learn how journaling is an important tool for scientists in the field – and how much fun it can be.

Programs held at the North Tract located on Rt. 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 32:

Winter Trees and Weeds on Sunday, January 13 from 9 to 11 a.m., all ages. Learn to identify trees and their weedy counterparts in winter on this guided walk. Discover the winter roles trees, weeds and seedheads play. Field guide, water and magnifying lens are recommended.

NAMI Workshop Provides Updates

The National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI) will present a workshop on Thursday, January 17 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Hanko Building at Beckett Field, 8511 Legation Road, New Carrollton. A member of NAMI Maryland's Public Policy Committee will discuss the latest progress in transforming the public mental health system and recent legislation which affects the lives of persons with mental illness and their families. All are welcome to attend this free workshop.

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Come to Marietta House Museum to learn about the history of scrapbooking and how to create a traditional Victorian scrapbook highlighting Valentine’s Day on Saturday, January 26 from 1 to 4 p.m. This activity is for ages 15 and up. Reservations are required by January 18. There is a fee.

Marietta House Museum is located at 5626 Bell Station Road, Glenn Dale, off Route 193 and just north of Route 450/Annapolis Road.

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Congratulations to former Greenbelt native Rebecca Coleman, who grew up and attended school here, then from 1998 to 2003 lived here with her husband to raise their children, proofing for the paper during those years. She now lives in Bowie. Writing as Becky Anderson, Coleman's novel, "In Stereo Where Available," is now on the shelves at Maryland Borders stores and on Amazon.

Congratulations to Sidney and Evelyn Bronstein of Westway, who celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary on Saturday, January 5, 2008.

We were sorry to hear about Konrad Herling's fall while leaving the council chamber on Monday. We understand he had serious facial injuries and wish him a speedy recovery.

Send us your reports of new babies, awards, honors, etc. to share with our readers. We'd especially like to hear more from our neighbors in Greenbelt East and Springhill Lake. To send information for "Our Neighbors" email us at newsreview@greenbelt.com or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

– Kathleen McFarland

City Notes

Public Works collected 36.33 tons of refuse and 19.98 tons of co-mingled recyclable materials. Director Kenny Hall and Carolyn Clemens, assistant director, met with Mike McLaughlin, city manager, about installing emergency call boxes at Spellman Overpass.

Recreation staff reports that once again Greenbelt New Year was an overwhelming success. There were over 750 bands purchased by the end of the evening, 33 more than last year. Of the 750 sold 419 of them were pre-sold by Co-op.

Community Center staff report that the Greenbelt New Year's Scholarship Café raised \$506 for the Mary Geiger Scholarship Fund, which is \$96 more than last year.

Therapeutic Recreation reports the Knit for Charity raffle brought in \$149 to benefit the Mary Geiger Scholarship fund on New Year's Eve.

CARES

Judye Hering held the winter session of CARES free babysitting course on December 31. Five students learned responsibilities and safety issues regarding babysitting.

Wendy Wexler has begun a new eight-week Teen Discussion Group at Eleanor Roosevelt High School with 11 participants. The group will discuss a wide variety of issues including communication skills, conflict resolution and anger management.

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7:45-9:00 pm – Yoga Basics (Debbie)(b)

Tuesday

10:15-11:45 am – Super Gentle Yoga (Debbie)
12:00-1:00 pm – Mixed Level Lunch (Debbie)(b,c)
6:00-7:15 pm – Kripalu Level II (Carol I.) (i)
7:30-8:30 pm – Kripalu Level I (Carol I.) (b,c)

Wednesday

12:00-1:00 pm – Meditative Lunch (Avalaura) (b,c)
6:15-7:30 pm – Vishwayatan Yoga (Manju)(b,c)

Thursday

10:15-11:45 am – Intermediate Hatha (Adi)(i)
12:00-1:00 pm – Mixed Level Lunchtime (Adi)(b,c)
7:45-9:00 pm – Ashtanga Yoga (Brecken)(i,a)

Friday

10:15-11:45 am – Yoga Basics Series (Melissa)(b)
12:00-1:00 pm – Mixed Level Lunch (Melissa)(b,c)
6:15-7:30 pm – Kripalu Level I (Joel/Carla) (b,c)
(sign interpreted class)
7:45-9:00 pm – Kripalu Level II (Joel/Carla)(i,a)

Saturday

9:00-10:00 am – Pilates Level I (Emily) (b,c)
10:15-11:30 am – Integral Hatha Level I (Karl)(b,c)
11:45-1:00 pm – Mixed Level Kripalu (Laura)(b,c)
1:15-2:30 pm – Capoeira (Joel) (i,a)
3:45-5:00 pm – Prenatal Yoga (Carrie)

Sunday

10:15-11:30 – T'ai Chi Level I (Penny)(b,c)
11:45-12:30 pm – Hatha Level I (Carol M.)(b,c)
5:00-6:00 pm – Community Kirtan
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Updated kitchen w/flat top stove, built-in microwave, ceramic floor tile and modern cabinets; - modern bathroom, too. Roomy shed. \$180,000

Charlestown Village

Single-Level living in Greenbelt proper! New stove, refrigerator, kitchen floor and carpeting. Patio, thermal windows and more! \$184,000 U.C.

Snowden Oaks

Rambler in Laurel with large family room addition. Den can be used as a 4th bedroom. **\$0 down, \$0 closing** for qualified buyers. \$329,900

Charlestown Village

Bright two level townhome in sought-after Old Greenbelt! Dual-level dishwasher, Corian countertops, private balcony, & more! \$236,000

Greenbriar

This is the best-priced condo on the market! Lots of improvements - extra den, priced thousands below the competition! Value! \$174,900

Brick Townhome

2 br townhome with remodeled bath and tile flooring. Hardwood floors, spacious cabinets & lazy susan, stacking w/d, chair molding. \$205,000

2 Bedroom Townhome

GHI townhome with laundry room addition. Remodeled kitchen and bathroom. Adjacent to protected woodlands. Nice! \$185,000 U.C.

Shady Grove Village

Shows like a model home! 3 levels, 3 br, 2 full & 2 half baths. \$389,000

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A number of Greenbelt residents sent in pictures of the 2008 New Year celebration. We didn't have room for them all, but here are some of the best!



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meet some friends, including Mary Ann Baker, and listen (when possible) to the piano music. Jim Olson was finishing his set when we arrived.

But who was that in the corner of the room? Chef Lou. We were unbelievably lucky. We walked right over and got a little dessert. Within five minutes the line was out the door. A note in the program indicated that Chef Lou was donating part of his proceeds to the Springhill Lake fire victims.

The bad thing about a Piano Lounge is that some people gather to talk and some gather to listen to the music. Stephen Brodd began playing lovely show tunes but it was difficult to hear them.

After bidding goodbye to friends in the lounge, we were heading home. However, DC Motors was now playing in the gym and they surprised both of us. So we grabbed a table and sat back down. There we talked for a few minutes to Dea and Bob Zugby. We really enjoyed listening to some country tunes and even a few slow tunes. Some couples even started dancing! Not us. Time for our night to end. But it was a thoroughly enjoyable Greenbelt New Year's Eve.

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the Greenbelt Police Department.

The Community Center stage was decked with glittering gondolas, masked carnival figures and a dazzling Venetian skyline, courtesy of visual artist Randal Mars and the following elementary school and middle-school students and parents: Sofie Dabelko, Emma Dabelko, Erik Dabelko, Kirsten Dabelko, Elizabeth Gardner, Rebecca Gardner, Jamie Casey, Matt Holland, Maggie Holland, Graham Sullivan, Marcus Pettus, Clara Beckert, Rose Commins, Mary Commins, Patty Commins, John Commins, Claire Morse, the Greenbelt Girl Scouts and members of Beth Fendlay's 6th and 8th grade classes. Recreation staffer Monica Mische coordinated the project.

Finally, we thank the mysterious Paolo and Francesca, who surrendered their scepters and vanished into the night at midnight, leaving us with magical memories and the promise of a happy New Year.

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